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October 31, 2013

TO: Remote Caller Bingo Representatives

RE: Recent Developments in the Remote Caller Bingo Program

On July 16, 2013, the Department of Justice sent a letter announcing changes to the Remote Caller Bingo (RCB) program in California. This is to make you aware of recent developments to the program since that date.

On July 25, 2013, the California Gambling Control Commission (Commission) approved an extension through December 31, 2013, of all RCB licenses, work permits and card-minding device vendor licenses that had been previously approved. The Bureau of Gambling Control (Bureau) has sent courtesy renewal notices to all parties that were provided an extension, with a reminder to submit renewal applications for their respective license or work permit. The Bureau will begin processing the renewal applications upon receipt.

On September 27, Senate Bill (SB) 820 (Committee on Governmental Organization, Chapter 353, Statutes of 2013) was signed in to law, making certain amendments to the statutory requirements of the RCB program. The most significant of these changes is the requirement for charitable organizations to be "authorized" by the Commission prior to conducting RCB games. Therefore, organizations must submit the appropriate form to the Bureau for processing followed by determination by the Commission. Once authorized by the Commission, organizations must submit to the Bureau a 30-day notice of intent to conduct remote caller bingo games.

SB 820 made no other changes to the licensure requirements for work permit holders, callers, fiduciaries, manufacturers, distributors, and vendors. Attached for your convenience are frequently asked questions (FAQs) regarding the RCB program. In addition, these FAQs will soon be posted on the Bureau's website.

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If you have any questions regarding this notice or on the remote caller bingo licensing requirements, please contact the Bureau at (916) 227-3584.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wayne Quint", written in a cursive style.

WAYNE QUINT, CHIEF
Bureau of Gambling Control

For KAMALA D. HARRIS
Attorney General

Enclosure

cc: Tina Littleton, Executive Director, California Gambling Control Commission